

## City of Milwaukee Text File

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## Resolution

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Resolution directing the appropriate City officials to enter into a memorandum of understanding to enable the City of Milwaukee to become a member of the Southeastern Wisconsin Watershed Trust.

..Analysis

This resolution directs the appropriate City officials to enter into a memorandum of understanding to enable the City of Milwaukee to become a member of the Southeastern Wisconsin Watershed Trust.

The Southeastern Wisconsin Watershed Trust is a collaborative effort to achieve healthy and sustainable water resources throughout the Greater Milwaukee Watersheds, defined as the watersheds of the Kinnickinnic River, Menomonee River, Milwaukee River, Root River, Oak Creek, Lake Michigan direct drainage, the Milwaukee Harbor estuary and nearshore Lake Michigan.

The memorandum of understanding creates the Southeastern Wisconsin Watershed Trust, a voluntary, non-taxing partnership of independent units of governments, special purpose districts, agencies, organizations and members at large that share common goals and have come together to achieve those goals through coordinated collaboration and cooperation within the Greater Milwaukee Watersheds.

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Whereas, The water quality of Lake Michigan and its tributaries are central to Milwaukee's economy, environment and quality of life; and

Whereas, The City of Milwaukee supports efforts to achieve water resource goals and objectives; and

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Whereas, The City supports efforts to build partnerships, to leverage funding and to enhance collaborative decision-making and joint project implementation to improve water quality; and

Whereas, The Southeastern Wisconsin Watershed Trust is a collaborative effort to achieve healthy and sustainable water resources throughout the Greater Milwaukee Watersheds, and the Watersheds is defined as the watersheds of the Kinnickinnic River, Menomonee River, Milwaukee River, Root River, Oak Creek, Lake Michigan direct drainage, the Milwaukee Harbor estuary and nearshore Lake Michigan; and

Whereas, By entering into a memorandum of understanding and becoming a member of the Trust, the City will participate in a voluntary, non-taxing partnership of independent units of governments, special purpose districts, agencies, organizations and members at large that share common goals and have come together to achieve those goals through coordinated collaboration and cooperation within the Greater Milwaukee Watersheds; and

Whereas, The memorandum of understanding reflects a commitment among the parties to cooperate and work together to achieve the vision and mission of the Southeastern Wisconsin Watershed Trust; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, By the Common Council of the City of Milwaukee, that the appropriate City officials are directed to enter into a memorandum of understanding to enable the City of Milwaukee to become a member of the Southeastern Wisconsin Watershed Trust.

..Requestor

..Drafter LRB08306-1 LCS 6/9/08